

Appl. No. 10/715,683
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REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

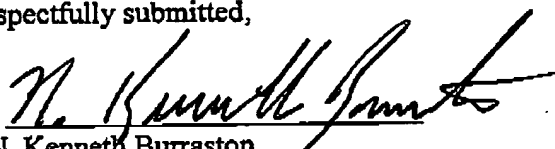
In this amendment, which is in addition to the amendments made in the Amendment mailed on May 27, 2005, claims 42-48 are newly added. (Claims 1-18 and 27-32 were previously canceled.) Claims 19-26 and 33-48 are now pending in the application. Applicants respectfully request reexamination and reconsideration of the objections and rejection in the Office Action dated January 27, 2005 in light of the amendments, remarks, and arguments made in the Amendment mailed on May 27, 2005 and the amendments, remarks, and arguments made in this Supplemental Application.

New independent claim 42 includes "a second structure of a different second material deposited within an opening through a masking material applied on the first structure after a portion of the first structure has been released from a substrate and formed into the micro-sized spring, and coupled to the first material, . . . wherein the second material is one of harder or has different contact properties than the first material." Applicants respectfully assert that the prior art of record, whether taken singly or in combination, do not teach or suggest such a feature. Therefore, new independent claim 42 as well as claims 43-48, each of which depends from claim 42, patentably distinguish over the prior art of record.

In view of the foregoing, Applicants submit that all of the claims are allowable and the application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes that a discussion with Applicants' attorney would be helpful, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at (801) 323-5934.

Respectfully submitted,

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